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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
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Dear Supervisors:

**AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT FIFTH YEAR FUNDING UNDER
THE JUVENILE JUSTICE CRIME PREVENTION ACT (JJCPA) FOR FISCAL YEAR
2005-2006 FROM THE STATE BOARD OF CORRECTIONS**

(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Chief Probation Officer to apply for \$27,874,194 in Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act funding for FY 2005-2006 from the State Board of Corrections.
2. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to finalize the County of Los Angeles Application and Comprehensive Multi-Agency Juvenile Justice Plan Modification (Plan) and submit final documents to the State Board of Corrections by May 1, 2005 and make subsequent program modifications, if needed.
3. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to accept \$27,874,194 in fifth year Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act funding for FY 2005-2006 from the State Board of Corrections, upon approval of the County of Los Angeles Application and Comprehensive Multi-Agency Juvenile Justice Plan Modification.
4. Delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer to execute any amendments or extensions to existing contracts for the purpose of continuing programs implemented under the Comprehensive Multi-Agency Juvenile Justice Plan developed by the Los Angeles County Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council, upon approval as to form by County Counsel, and to report any program changes as appropriate.

PROBATION: PROTECTION, CORRECTION, SERVICE

5. Delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer to negotiate, execute, and/or extend current agreements with various government agencies to provide services consistent with the Plan, upon approval as to form by County Counsel and to report to the Board as appropriate.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDATION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain Board approval to adopt a Resolution (Attachment A) authorizing the Chief Probation Officer to apply for Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) funding to continue the implementation of the Comprehensive Multi-Agency Juvenile Justice Plan (Plan) for a fifth year, and giving assurances that the Board has reviewed and approved the County of Los Angeles Application and Comprehensive Multi-Agency Juvenile Justice Plan Modification (Application and Plan Modification). The Board of Corrections (BOC) requires that a resolution be approved and adopted by your Board and submitted with the Application and Plan Modification (Attachment B). The deadline for submission of the application and related documents is May 1, 2005.

The Plan was a result of a multi-agency planning effort coordinated by the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC). The Plan was approved by the BOC and implemented following approval by your Board on March 20, 2001. Consistent with BOC requirements, the JJCC has continued to meet on a monthly basis to coordinate and oversee the implementation of the Plan.

The proposed Application and Plan Modification includes two substantive changes to the Plan approved by your Board on March 20, 2001. First, funding for community treatment center services provided through the Department of Mental Health (DMH) will be discontinued. This is due to the alternate funding source that DMH will be utilizing to continue the services. Second, net County cost funding for the School-Based Supervision program was reduced for FY 2005-06. Consequently, 30 school-based sites will be eliminated from the program, primarily from middle schools.

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Attachment C provides a list of funding specifically allocated to other government agencies. During the month of March 2005, meetings were held where current service providers and other stakeholders were given the opportunity to provide input on the services presently provided under the JJCPA program. The meetings included workgroups with representatives from service providers, County departments, commissions, and advocacy groups. The proposed changes take into consideration input from the workgroups, a review by the RAND Corporation, and Probation's experience during the past four years.

Los Angeles County's FY 2005-2006 allocation is \$27,874,194, pending BOC's approval of the Application and Plan Modification. This represents a reduction of \$87,595 from the fourth year allocation. Attachment D outlines the proposed JJCPA funding allocations for FY2005-2006.

Approved services are currently provided through the collaborative efforts of government agencies and community-based organizations. The recommended action will also delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer to negotiate, execute, and/or extend current agreements with these agencies and organizations to continue these efforts, as required in the Plan.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended Board actions are consistent with the Countywide Strategic Plan Children and Families' Well-Being Goal #5, as implementation of the recommendations will enable the Probation Department to continue the coordination and collaboration of integrated services for probation and at-risk youth and their families across functional and jurisdictional boundaries. The recommendation actions are consistent with Service Excellence Goal #1 as the Probation Department will evaluate the JJCPA funded services based on results.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The County of Los Angeles has been allocated \$27,874,194 in JJCPA funds by BOC, pending its approval of the County's Application and Plan Modification. This represents a reduction of \$87,595 from the fourth year allocation and the necessary adjustments will be

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included in the FY 2005-2006 final recommended Budget. There is no match requirement or net County cost associated with the Plan. The County must adhere to JJCPA requirements regarding the expenditure of said funds.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On March 20, 2001, your Board authorized the Chief Probation Officer to finalize the Plan and apply to BOC for Crime Prevention Act of 2000 (CPA 2000) funding, now known as JJCPA. The County's initial allocation was \$34,917,974. SB 736 (Poochigian-Burton) addressed the future of JJCPA and authorized the BOC to use \$116,300,000 for all participating counties for FY 2002-2003. Los Angeles County's allocation was \$32,742,714. For FY 2003-2004, Los Angeles County's allocation was \$32,612,056. For FY 2004-2005, the State allocation was reduced further to \$99,725,000, and Los Angeles County's allocation was \$27,961,789.

For FY 2005-2006, there was no change in the overall State allocation from the previous year. Los Angeles County's allocation, pending BOC's approval of the Application and Plan Modification, is \$27,897,194. The funds are to be expended by June 30, 2006.

Funding eligibility under JJCPA requires each county to submit to the BOC an application consisting of a Plan Modification and resolution from your Board.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

This funding will allow for the continued implementation of the Plan that addresses the critical problem of mental health needs of probationers, provides community-level prevention and intervention strategies that target high-risk neighborhoods, and focuses on

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achieving school success for probationers and at-risk youth. These services are currently provided through the collaborative efforts of government agencies and community-based organizations.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Higa', written over the typed name.

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Acting Chief Probation Officer

Attachments (4)

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
 Chief Administrative Officer
 County Counsel
 JJCC Members